



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: John M. Krajnik, et al.

) **Examiner:** Judy M. Reddick

Attorney Docket No.: 5661

) **Group Art Unit:** 1713

Serial No.: 09/437,171

Filing Date: 11/09/1999

For: WATERBORNE COATING HAVING
IMPROVED CHEMICAL RESISTANCE

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Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT "E" AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

(In Response to Paper No. 21)

Dear Madam:

This Amendment "E" is filed in response to the Office action dated December 22, 2003. Applicant submits this Amendment "E" as the submission to accompany the Request for Continued Examined, which is being filed herewith.

The three-month period for responding to the Office action expired on March 22, 2003. As such, Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 in which to file this Response to Office Action.

On June 16, 2004, Applicants' attorney was first made aware of the December 22, 2003 Office Action by a telephone call initiated by the Examiner. On June 16, the Examiner also provided a copy of the Office Action to Applicants attorney. Prior to June 16, 2004, Applicant was not aware of and had not received the Office Action with a mailing date of December 22, 2004. As such, Applicant was unable to provide a response to the Office Action during the shortened statutory period. As a result of the delay in Applicants receipt of the Office Action, Applicant believes that the three-month extension fee should be waived.

If the Commissioner believes that the three-month extension fee is due and not waivable, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the three-month extension fee of \$950.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-2025. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any other fees due, or credit any overpayment, in connection with this Application, to Deposit Account No. 19-2025.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

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I hereby certify that the following correspondence: <div>an Amendment "E" and Response to Office Action, along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal, an Amendment Transmittal Letter, and a Petition For Extension Of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a), (in duplicate)</div> (Identify type of correspondence)			
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